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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/034,853 for
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING FLAT AND
LETTER UNITS
Our Ref. No. 063288-0350

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. An Amendment Transmittal Form;
2. A Preliminary Amendment (Amendment A)
3. A Transmittal of Formal Drawings;
4. One (1) sheet of formal drawings;
5. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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Re application of: Middelberg et al.

Application No.: 10/034,853
Filed: 12/28/2001

Group No.: 3651
Examiner: Not Assigned

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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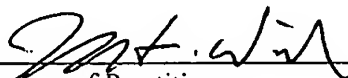
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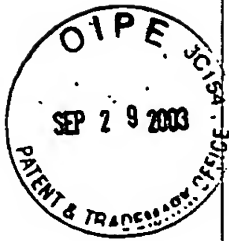
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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a new drawing, Figure 6B (1 sheet) for filing in the above-identified U.S. Patent Application.

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